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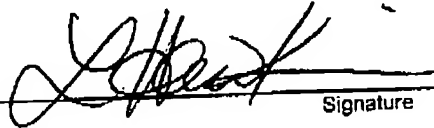
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In re Patent Application of:
Pascal Latreille et al.

Application No.: 10/786,329

Filed: February 26, 2004

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REPLACING AND PROCEDURE FOR
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PRIMARY CIRCUIT OF A NUCLEAR
REACTOR

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LETTER SUBMITTING DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY STATEMENT

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Dear Sir:

Applicants submit herewith an executed Department of Energy Statement in connection
with the above-identified application.

Application No.: 10/786,329

Docket No.: 20513-00590-US1

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citizens of France

residing at France

declare:

That I (we) made and conceived the invention described and claimed in patent application:

Serial Number 10/786,329 filed in the United States of America on Feb. 26, 2004
 titled Procedure and Means for Replacing and Procedure for Repairing a Section of
a Pipe in the Primary Circuit of a Nuclear Reactor

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—AND/OR—

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